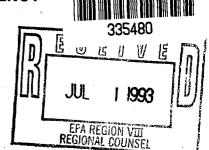


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Mr. Edwin L. Osika, Jr. Executive Vice President United Park City Mines Co. P.O. Box 1450 Park City, Utah 84060

Dear Mr. Osika:

This regards the recently completed site assessment for Richardson Flats Tailings property located east of Park City, Utah. Please find attached copies of completed studies indicating that, at this time, there is no immediate threat of a release of hazardous materials from the Site. Therefore, an EPA Superfund Removal Action is not anticipated at this time. There is, however, some concerns over possible groundwater contamination as per sampling activities surrounding the tailings dam in the area of the "wetlands". We leave this matter to future actions. Additionally, security fencing is satisfactorily limiting access to the Site, thereby precluding unauthorized entry.

In closing, we appreciate your cooperation with EPA's site assessment. We trust that the experience has been profitable and look forward to working with you again in the future.

Sincerely,

Mike Zimmerman, OSC

Emergency Response Branch .

Attachment

cc: Rich Baird, ORC

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